HARRIET, YOU'LL DRIVE ME WILD!

Harriet doesn't *mean* to be pesky. Sometimes she just is. And her mother doesn't *mean* to lose her temper. Sometimes she just does. Harriet and her mother know that even when they do things they wish they hadn't, they still love each other very much.

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Themes: Develop coordination, patience and the ability to keep on trying!

When children grow, they often go through periods of feeling awkward and clumsy. Let's face it, we all have days when things just don't go according to plan! How about trying a couple of fun activities to help with the development of coordination.

- ♥Arrange some blocks on the floor and see how many your child can balance one on top of the other. If you don't have wooden play blocks, start saving small square kleenex boxes or food boxes that the plastic liner comes out of. You'll get the same results with little or no cost.
- ♦ How about practicing pouring water! Outdoors is the best place for this activity. A small pitcher or container with a spout and some small unbreakable glasses and you're all set. (A few paper towels would be helpful, too!)
- **▼**Remember that encouragement is much more effective than criticism.